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Title:	<b>CONTACT MAT FOR AN ACTUATOR, AND ASSOCIATED PRODUCTION METHOD</b>

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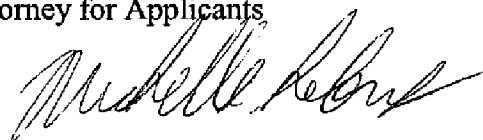
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